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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a Divisional application of prior pending Application No. 09/719,164, filed December 12, 2000.

For (Title): NITRATE SALTS OF ANTIHYPERTENSIVE MEDICINES

By (Inventors): Piero DEL SOLDATO

1.  A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached. The attached Declaration and Power of Attorney is:

a. A copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney from the parent application. (Used with the same or fewer inventors and (a) a copy of the prior application or (b) a revised, reformatted or edited version of the prior application that does not contain new matter.)

b. A new Declaration and Power of Attorney. (Used with the same, fewer or additional inventors and (a) a copy of the prior application, (b) a revised, reformatted or edited version of the prior application that does not contain new matter, or (c) a new specification.)

2.  The filing fee based on entry of the concurrently filed Preliminary Amendment is calculated below:

CLAIMS IN THE APPLICATION AFTER ENTRY OF  
ANY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT NOTED BELOW

FOR:	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA
BASIC FEE		
TOTAL CLAIMS	28 - 20	= 8
INDEP CLAIMS	4 - 3	= 1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED		

\* If the difference is less than zero, enter "0".

SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	Fee
	\$ 375
x 9 =	\$ 72
x 42 =	\$42
+140 =	\$140
TOTAL	\$629

OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
OR	RATE
OR	\$ 750
OR	\$
OR	TOTAL

3.  A check in the amount of \$ to cover the filing fee is attached.

4.  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the filing fee of \$629.00 along with any other fees that may be required to complete this filing, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing Attorney Docket No. 026220-00040. A duplicate copy is attached.

5.  Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:  
--This is a Division of Application No. 09/719,164 filed December 12, 2000, which is a §371 of International Application Serial No. PCT/EP99/04138, filed June 15, 1999.--The disclosure of the prior application(s) is hereby incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.--

6.  Priority of foreign application No. MI98A001408 filed June 19, 1998 in Italy is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and/or §365(b).

7.  The certified copy was received in prior Application No. 09/719,164 from the International Bureau.

8.  The prior application is assigned of record to Nicox S.A. recorded at Reel 011492, Frame 0778 on December 12, 2000.

10.  Small entity status:

a. A small entity statement is attached.

b. A small entity statement was filed in the parent application and such status is still proper and desired.

c. Small entity status is no longer claimed.

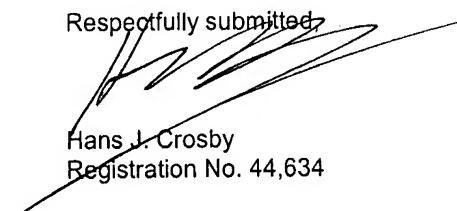
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